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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: **Garcia Duran et al.**

CASE NO: **AD6516**

APPLICATION NO.: **09/462,971**

GROUP ART UNIT: **1714**

FILED: JUNE 28, 2000

EXAMINER: **SZEKELY, PETER A**

FOR: **FLAME RETARDANT POLYOLEFIN COMPOSITIONS**

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2002, concerning the above-identified application, please amend the application according to the following instructions and favorable consider the enclosed remarks. A petition for a three-month extension of time to respond is included as a separate document. Please charge any fee associated with this amendment and Extension of Time to E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company Deposit Account 04-1928

**In the claims:**

Please amend Claims 1 to read as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) A flame retardant, halogen-free polymer composition comprising a blend of
    - (1) ethylene vinyl acetate carbon monoxide terpolymer containing 30-90% by weight ethylene, 10-70% by weight vinyl acetate and 1-40% by weight carbon monoxide;
    - (2) an ethylene vinyl acetate or polyolefin selected from the group consisting of (a) ethylene vinyl acetate containing 25-90% by weight ethylene and 10-75% by

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